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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

SIR:

On February 26, 2003, the Examiner issued a Restriction Requirement in the above identified application, which includes claims 1-15.

Applicants elect Group I which includes claims 1-10 and 12-15, which are drawn to a magnetic recording medium and a generic apparatus for reading the recording medium, classified in class 428, subclass 694TS.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 429-1776 to discuss any matter concerning this application.

The Office is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments under  
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